

## VISITORS ASSURED HEARTY WELCOME AT COUNTY FAIR

Late Preparations Are Being  
Hurried for Opening  
of the Fair Wednesday Morning

## RACING EVENTS TO FEATURE THURSDAY

TROTTERS, PACERS AND RUN-  
NERS WILL STALL; ENTRIES  
RECEIVED UP TO 10 P. M.  
WEDNESDAY

Work at the fair grounds was progressing this morning in preparation for the opening tomorrow, but there is a lot of work to be done before the displays will be in readiness for inspection by the public.

The usual delay is being experienced, and many merchants who are to have displays had not begun to prepare for them this morning.

Secretary Simpkins expressed the hope that every exhibitor would take advantage of the limited time, and get displays in place this afternoon and tonight.

There has been some inquiries made through this office relative to heads of departments, and for the benefit of those desiring information, a complete list follows:

Walter Colbert, president.  
John W. Simpkins, secretary.  
Superintendent of concessions, L. D. Ricker.

Automobile show, Don A. Cochran.  
Racing events, Sam Baird.

Cattle, Mort Woods.  
Horses, J. W. Johnson.

Sheep, John Griffith.  
Swine, J. R. Pennington.

Poultry, George Dyer.  
Boys and girls agricultural clubs, John W. Simpkins, county fair agent.

Girls clubs, Mrs. Minnie B. Church.  
County home demonstrator, Farm products, O. K. Darden.

Fruits, H. H. Simmons.  
Fine arts, Mrs. Emmitt Skinner.  
Domestic arts, Mrs. G. W. Amerson.

Textile, Mrs. Ada Holcomb.  
Educational, Kate Galt Zanele.  
Culinary, Mrs. O. C. Thompson.

Mineral and Road Building material, Sidney Suggs.

More Race Stock Arrives  
Several head of light harness horses from Texas and western Oklahoma have arrived and are now quartered at the track and will participate in the speed events. Every stall is filled with trotters, pacers, and runners and if more arrive, some provision will have to be made to take care of them.

The racing committee will book all entries for Thursday's event tomorrow afternoon, and the entry list will be made known.

The first day's program consists of one trotting and one pacing race and three running races, with good purses offered in each event. The second and third days will be made up in practically the same ratio. The cattle barn is gradually filling up with high class stock, and will be far too small to accommodate all that will be shown, the necessity for more buildings is apparent, and stock men are complaining of the lack of suitable housing facilities.

Entries Until 10 O'clock Wednesday Night  
Entries in all departments will be received by the secretary up to 10 o'clock Wednesday night, therefore any one who may be delayed prior to that time will not be barred. The secretary urges, however, that all who can to make their entries as early as possible in order to avoid unnecessary confusion and delay.

The various lumber companies of the city have donated well built settees to the fair association and they are scattered beneath the shade of the large trees for the comfort of visitors.

Improvement at Poultry Pavilion  
A much needed improvement has been made in the poultry pavilion this season, that is the addition of collapsible metal coops to show birds. The coops are the very latest model and will be so arranged that practically twice the number of birds can be shown in the same space as heretofore. It is expected that most of the livestock will be on the grounds by late tonight and assigned places, a number will have to be content with outside stalls as the barns are already full. This will be rather inconvenient in the event of rain, but owing to circumstances cannot be helped this year.

That the Carter county fair has outgrown present equipment is apparent even this early, and heads of departments will have to do the best they can under the circumstances, that the equipment will have to be enlarged before another fair is sure, and every effort will be made by officers and directors of the association to that end.

The track was never in better condition than at present, and if the weather man will be kind some fine racing events are assured.

The secretary wishes to again urge all who are going to make a showing under the rules governing all entries, the displays must remain until Saturday night, the last day of the fair.

Asks Co-Operation  
The officers and directors of the Carter county free fair association desire the hearty co-operation of every citizen of Ardmore toward making the sixth annual fair the best ever held in southern Oklahoma. They urgently request that every citizen deem himself or herself a committee of one to see that strangers who visit Ardmore for the next four days receive proper recognition. In this way the officers believe that Carter county can set the pace in every fair that will be copied by every other county in Oklahoma.

## AVIATORS FINISH SECOND AIRPLANE, NAME IS WANTED FOR THE SHIP

The second built-in-Ardmore airplane will be ready for a trial flight Sunday afternoon, according to Aviators Askew and Oakley, who are now putting on the finishing touches.

A name for the plane is wanted and the person who gives one that is appropriate will be permitted to make the trial flight with the aviators. The first plane was named "Ardmore," and it has withstood the roughest and harshest of many flights for the past six months.

It is yet undecided whether the Peps and Paris will play here Sunday, but if the teams go to Paris, the trial flight will be made. No interference with the baseball game will be had, the aviators assert.

## "CLEAN-UP SQUAD" FOR SERVICE MEN HERE NEXT WEEK

GOVERNMENT SQUAD TO HEAR  
CLAIMS OF FORMER SERVICE  
MEN SEPTEMBER 19-20 AT  
CONVENTION HALL

On Monday and Tuesday of next week the government clean-up squad will be in Ardmore to hear claims of former service men, it is announced by S. C. Kile, manager of the veterans bureau of the fourteenth district. The squad comes here after completing its itinerary of the state.

It is proposed that a meeting of the American Legion be held Monday night, if not at noon luncheon, when members of the squad will address the men and explain the working of the organization and what steps are necessary to press a claim against the government.

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## DEATH TOLL AT SAN ANTONIO IS 49

PROPERTY LOSS, PRINCIPALLY  
CROPS, IS ESTIMATED AT FROM  
SIX TO TEN MILLION  
DOLLARS.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 13.—Overnight newspaper reports from portions of Central Texas flooded as the result of torrential rains last Friday and Saturday, brought the unofficial list of deaths to nearly 200. Communication with the affected area still was more or less demoralized today, but with the high waters in the Colorado, Brazos, San Gabriel and other streams rapidly receding normal conditions were in prospect.

Most serious loss of life occurred in San Gabriel river lowlands in Williamson and Milam counties, according to last night's developments. More than 100 bodies have been recovered in these two counties, reports said. Property damage there was said to be large.

In addition to San Antonio, where the list of dead stood at 49, overnight reports showed the following: Thornton, 45 Mexicans drowned; Laredo, 23 Mexicans drowned; Elm Grove, 20 Mexicans; San Gabriel, 19 dead, including 8 Mexicans.

Alligator Creek, five Mexicans. Taylor and immediate vicinity, six persons drowned.

Lawrence Creek, three. Redville Gin, two.

Baton Rouge and Valley Junction in Brazos bottoms, 20.

Previous reports of two deaths at Georgetown, were confirmed today.

J. M. Cobb, and wife, an aged couple, were drowned in a small creek which suddenly had become a raging torrent.

Reports of loss of life at Hearne and Calvert had not been confirmed.

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 13.—Floods claimed from 100 to 150 victims in South Central Texas Friday night and Saturday, exclusive of the 49 known to be dead in San Antonio, according to special dispatches from correspondents of the San Antonio Light received early today. Practically all the messages told the same story, that the majority of the drowned and missing were Mexicans, many of them farm laborers, living in the low lands along the San Gabriel, Brazos, Colorado and Little Rivers and their tributaries. Property loss, principally to crops, was estimated at from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

According to the messages received here, the known loss of life at various places was:

Milam county 22; Georgetown, 5; Edinburg, 1; Laredo, 23; San Gabriel, 19; near Taylor, 4; Elm Grove, 20; Brushy Creek, 3; and near Temple, 2. In addition, many were reported missing, one dispatch saying twenty families were unaccounted for in the Brazos river bottoms.

The situation in San Antonio was approaching normal, although it will be considerable time before all traces of the flood are removed from the business district. One large pile of debris near a railroad trestle remains to be cleared away. It is possible bodies may be located in it. Early today the known dead was 49 with 19 still missing.

Payments on the street improvement tax which started on September 1 and continue until Sept. 15, is going along nicely, according to City Clerk Thurston this morning. The levy is made on Districts Number 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, where improvements have been made on the streets. The installments and amounts differ in each district.

After Sept. 15, all claims not paid will be declared delinquent and placed in the hands of the county treasurer for collection, and an additional 15 per cent will be charged for this collection.

Birth Announcement  
Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Fitzhugh of 219 Tenth avenue, northeast, are rejoicing over the arrival of a ten-pound boy at their home on last Thursday night. Since the youngster is such a husky one the proud father is undecided whether he will train him as a policeman or a railroad man.

Valter Poole Returns  
TO BOSTON CONSERVATORY

Valter Poole, who last year attended the Boston Conservatory of Music, returned to that institution Saturday night after spending the summer here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Poole, at 912 Bixby, southwest. Mr. Poole is specializing in violin and his tutors at the conservatory speak well of the progress he has made while studying there.

Slayer Attempts Suicide  
IN TEXAS PRISON CELL

Wichita Falls, Texas, Sept. 13.—Plans of Henry J. Toussaint, under death sentence for the murder of his father, to hang himself, were frustrated by jail officers here last night. An improvised rope made of bed clothing was discovered in his cell. Officers said an intercepted note disclosed the plan.

Weather  
OKLAHOMA: Tonight and Wednesday partly cloudy, probably local showers in northeast portion, cooler in northwest portion Wednesday.

## INTERESTING FEATURES PLANNED FOR COMMUNITY SING NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

Otis M. Smith has been selected to be the leader for the Community Sing Tuesday night, September 20, which will be held at Central Park. Mrs. Arthur Kyle is chairman for the affair.

There are many interesting features planned for the sing. A moving picture screen will be erected and the words of the songs will be shown in order that every one may see them and can take part in the singing.

It is especially desired that those who have favorite songs signify their desire, either by sending the name of the song to Mrs. Kyle or address it to The Ardmoreite.

A list of these selections will be published and those which are selected by the greatest number will be sung that evening, Mrs. Kyle states.

Wauwanesee Camp Fire girls will take part in the program, giving some of their ceremonial songs and dances. All Camp Fire Girls of the city will participate in the singing.

Others who will take part on the program are members of a male quartette comprising Vernon Torrance, C. A. Wilson, E. L. Valley and Ernest Gennett.

Music will also be furnished by the Chamber of Commerce Band.

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## PERJURY HALTS ARBUCKLE CASE IN GRAND JURY

Witness Who Gave Police  
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Mrs. Joe M. London, chairman of that department, has sent an appeal to all flower lovers to send in contributions to that department whether they hope to compete for prizes or not. Mrs. London is desirous of as many as possible working for the premiums.

Specimens should be sent to the women's building this afternoon or before 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, in order to get a proper setting. Mrs. London said, and all specimens received will be cared for by persons who have handled plants and flowers, thus assuring the best care while on exhibit.